



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Tetsuya GOROHATA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2834

Application No.: 10/600,840

Examiner: T. Nguyen

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Docket No.: 116318

For: STATOR COIL INCLUDING SEQUENTIALLY-CONNECTED CONDUCTOR
SEGMENTS FOR AN ELECTRIC ROTARY MACHINE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the June 30, 2004 Office Action, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-4 are pending in this application.

I. Allowable Claims

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 3 and 4, they being allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the features of their base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants submit that claims 3 and 4, as well as the remaining pending claims are allowable for at least the reasons discussed below.

**II. Claim Rejections Under the Judicially Created
Doctrine of Obviousness-Type Double Patenting**

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-11 of U.S. Patent 6,492,757 to Nakamura et al. (Nakamura). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants submit that a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.321(b) and (c) is filed concurrently herewith (copy enclosed). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the rejection to claims 1 and 2 be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-4 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Terminal Disclaimer

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